

Campus responds to President Owens' surprise resignation

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The resignation of Dr. B.D. Owens, University president, has brought mixed reactions from students and faculty.

Alfred McKemy, president of the Board of Regents, expressed disappointment at Owens' resignation. "I was disappointed because I think he's done a real good job. I was hoping he would sign the contract."

Owens' accomplishments make quite a list, said McKemy. "Among them was the problem of enrollment declined when he came. He has had an enrollment increase since he's been here. We are also stronger academically with high ratings with

the two accrediting agencies. We've also gotten some new facilities, some as a result of the fire, but some because Dr. Owens has been imaginative and tough enough with the legislature, that we were able to get these new facilities."

Another accomplishment, said McKemy, was the innovative wood-waste plant. "That was a gamble and he led us through that construction."

McKemy also mentioned the reorganization of the University into seven colleges. "That restructuring has made us more like other universities and that has been a plus," said McKemy.

"I think we are very fortunate to have had Dr. Owens," said McKemy. "He has been an outstanding leader, taking the University to new plateaus."

Dr. George English, vice-president of academic affairs, felt that Owens has had a very positive effect on Northwest. "In terms of his accomplishments, there are at least four of five that are major," said English. "He was instrumental in reorganization of the University into colleges and he brought about accreditation of the institution and he helped to rebuild the quality in departments and brought in some good people. He has strengthened this institution."

Most students admitted confusion over the circumstances surrounding the incident.

"Northwest received a lot of state aid while he (Dr. Owens) was here, which he put to good use, like the library," Art Miller, student, said. "I really don't understand why he's leaving after only being here for

seven years.

John O'Connell said, "The library was definitely his biggest accomplishment, but I think he forgot about the little people."

"His resignation came as a big surprise to me," Teresa Bing said. "I'm sad because I think his leaving will be a big loss to the University. He was always looking toward the future and contributed a lot to the growth of the University."

Chris Sams was also sorry to hear of Owens' resignation. "I know Dr. Owens personally because he's TKE from here and I feel that he's done a lot of good things for the University. He's a very outgoing person and I really think that Northwest is restricting him," Sams said. "I wish he were staying; however I'm glad to see him moving on to bigger things."

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Owens to step down from presidency

BY DEB EATOCK
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Dr. B.D. Owens will end his seven-year term as University president June 30 when his current contract expires. Owens turned down a new five-year contract Saturday at a special Board of Regents meeting.

Owens declined to say definitely what his plans are after he leaves Northwest, but he denied speculation that he will fill the vacancy of president at the University of Missouri or run for political office. Owens said, "The search at MU has been going on for some time—I didn't even apply for the job. It's difficult to consider anything in education after being president of my alma mater."

As for the possibility that he might run for political office, Owens replied, "The problem is that there has to be an office open and you have to be qualified to run."

"There are so many people here who are dear friends. We have the best student body in the country as far as I'm concerned and I hope everyone here agrees. My wife and I are both alumni of Northwest—from here on, everything is downhill."

"People here, from Board of Regents members to any category, are just terrific. There is a lot of caring at this University, which is important. I think our students feel that

too," Owens said.

Northwest's rise in academic standing is the president's most proud achievement. "Seven years ago (when Owens became president) we were on probation by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, there were a number of instances where the school was cited for not doing what it was supposed to be," Owens said.

If the University had lost its accreditation, Owens said, it would have affected the prestige of the institution substantially, the transferability of credits and the ability to award teacher certification.

"Our enrollment is another reflection of doing things that people thought were impossible," Owens said. When Owens became president in 1977, enrollment had dropped to 4,184; last fall enrollment rose to 5,244.

Another achievement Owens recalled was the completion of the wood-fuel plant. "The wood-waste plant leaves this University in a place of envy," he said.

One of the first changes Owens made when he became president was the reorganization of the University's structure, which was only completed this fall. "In 1977 the organization of the University was in 27 departments—that's it," he said. "They reported to a dean—it was organized like a col-



lege. Twenty-seven department chairpersons are, fine people but it was hard to get anything done."

In 1978 the first step in the reorganization occurred when the 27 departments were condensed into 10 divisions. This fall the divisions

were combined into six schools and colleges. "That structure should take us into the next decade or so with minor modifications," Owens said.

Another goal Owens set was to reduce the attrition level of students See Owens Pg. 2

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Farewell

University President B.D. Owens will complete his duties June 30. Owens is not accepting a new contract but his plans are unclear at present. (Missourian Photo/Edmundo Barrera)

Pankau guilty of manslaughter

Two defendants plea bargain in Morgan murder trial

BY TERESA SCHUELKE
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A jury found Rodney A. Pankau of Maryville guilty of manslaughter Friday, Feb. 24 in the Nodaway County Circuit Court. Pankau was charged with second degree murder in the July 3, 1983 slaying of Wallace N. Morgan, a Northwest student. Morgan, a Nigerian student, was found dead in his jail cell the morning of July 3. He was serving consecutive weekends at the county jail for brandishing a deadly weapon.

York Silliman, a St. Joseph pathologist, performed the autopsy. The report said that Morgan died from blunt trauma (beating).

The autopsy showed a cowboy boot heel-shaped bruise on his left flank that extended toward the heart. There were bruises toward the under arm and Morgan's face and scalp were swollen. Both eyes were black and swollen shut with hemorrhaging tissue and membrane under the eyes. His nose was flattened and right jaw broken. The face also had swollen, cut lips and bruised, lacerated cheeks.

Internal injury included bruises in the fat in the abdominal wall, hemorrhaging around the ninth and tenth ribs, and three fractured ribs. Morgan suffered from hemorrhaging in his neck muscles and blood in the thyroid gland and vocal chords. Morgan also had bleeding in his brain with part of it pushed down into the

spinal cord.

In Prosecuting Attorney David Baird's summary of the case, he said that Morgan did nothing but defend himself.

During testimony last Thursday, Harry Justus, Jr., Skidmore, told the court that Pankau suggested having a blanket party for Morgan. A blanket party is when a blanket is thrown over someone and the individual is beaten up. Both Justus and Michael L. Bears, a defendant from Maryville, agreed. Pankau went back to a table in the dining area where Morgan sat. When he rapped on the table, Justus and Bears were to come from the sides and grab Morgan. Pankau then knicked on the table and flipped it over. Justus said Morgan started to walk back to his cell when Justus threw the blanket over him. Morgan got away and walked backward to his cell. Bears then grabbed him from behind. Pankau hit Morgan three or four times and kicked him a few times before Morgan got back to his cell.

Justus testified that he, Pankau and Bears went back to the dining area. Pankau then suggested going back to Morgan's cell and beating him up again. All three went back to the cell and started beating up on Morgan. At this time, Thomas A. McClurg, Maryville, stood at the door and watched. During the second beating, Pankau, Bears and Justus each hit Morgan three or four times with their fists and kicked him once. Justus and Bears wore cowboy boots while Pankau was barefoot.

Justus said that Morgan tried to protect himself in the face and stomach area with his hands.

After the second beating, McClurg went back to his cell and the other three men went back to the dining area. Pankau suggested for the third time they should go back and beat on Morgan. Again all three men and McClurg attacked Morgan. During the fourth attack Morgan backed into the corner of the cell. The men brought Morgan out to the circular opening in the middle of the cell area. Morgan fell to his knees and Justus hit him. Justus said they moved Morgan back to his cell and cleaned up the area outside the cell and their clothes.

Justus said they sat and talked about a stray. The next day, they told police that they had a water fight and some of the water got on Morgan. Morgan became angry and jumped Pankau. Justus, Bears and McClurg tried to get Morgan off Pankau and the only way to do that was to hit him.

McClurg said that Justus came to his cell and suggested giving a blanket party for Morgan. McClurg added in his testimony that Morgan asked why they were doing this. Pankau said that he had a friend who was jumped by several blacks and he was getting even. McClurg said that when they kicked Morgan, they would pull themselves on the bunks and swing up to kick him in the shoulder. McClurg said the first fight occurred between 10:30 or 11 p.m. on July 2 and the fourth fight ended between 11:30

and midnight.

McClurg said he didn't know who started the fight. He said he heard Morgan yell during the first and second attacks.

Justus and McClurg admitted to sneaking alcohol into the jail when they returned from their work release programs. Both were originally charged with second degree murder, but that charge was dropped to second degree assault when they entered a plea bargaining agreement that required they testify. Both men admitted on the stand Thursday that they had lied under oath in previous testimonies.

The jury deliberated between an hour and an hour and a half before deciding on the manslaughter conviction.

Baird said that Pankau's sentencing could range from one year in the county jail to 15 years in the state penitentiary.

"The witnesses for the prosecuting attorney were participants in the beating," Baird said, "we made the plea agreement for the purpose of securing their testimony."

"I think Dave Baird did an excellent job," commented Robert Duncan, attorney for Pankau. "Without the plea bargain, Baird would have had no case at all. That is why he had an outrageous plea bargain," Duncan said.

Duncan said he didn't know if he and Pankau were going to appeal the case. "It is up to my client. We're going to wait until the sentencing in May," he said.

Northwest reacts to trial

BY BONNIE CORRICE
Staff Writer

Rodney Pankau's recent conviction of manslaughter in connection with the killing of Northwest student Wallace Morgan has prompted varied reactions around campus.

William Dizney, foreign student adviser, was present for the entire trial. "The trial lost all significance as far as a murder trial. The question the jury faced was can two defendants who plea bargained get so much less than the two who did not plea bargain? The jury got caught up in this—the question of whether or not the two who plea bargained walk away," Dizney said.

Dizney has talked to several Nigerian students to get their reactions. "The only Nigerian students I talked to felt the same way. They thought the jury was put in a terrible position. The felt sorry for the jurors," he said.

Dizney felt coverage of the trial was straight forward. "It wasn't sensationalized or a movie-type trial with demonstrations and terrible reactions. But everyone around that courthouse realized what was happening. The jury had been backed away from making a decision on murder. They weren't talking about a man being killed. They were talking about two guys who told their story and got as far from trouble as possible. I felt very frustrated," Dizney said.

Student J. Johnson, Harambee member, was frustrated. "I think it's unfair. Pankau should have been put in prison for life. Because he's a resident of Maryville, I believe it helped him get his charges reduced."

Lisa Petry, student, thought Pankau should not have been tried in this town. "The people are too biased," she said. "He shouldn't have been on trial here. Also, I think they should have given him capital murder. Manslaughter is too lenient."

Reference librarian Madonna Kennedy also thought the charge was too lenient. "The charge should not have been reduced. He should have received a stiffer sentence. It was almost treated as though 'Well, this was an accident and they didn't mean for it to turn out like this.' I think the location of the trial may have had something to do with the outcome, but I don't know enough about Maryville to say for sure."

However, Lisa Ashley, student, was not in complete agreement with the legal system. "I think there was a lot of bargaining going on. I think Pankau got off easy. There should have been a change of venue because the people in the jury probably grew up with the defendants or knew them in some way."

Dr. Carroll Fry, professor of English, viewed the situation as disappointing. "It speaks badly if things are as they seem. It certainly does look bad to have the man convicted of the reduced sentence of manslaughter. I'm sure Maryville takes care of its own."

For all the debate concerning the trial there are many people on campus unaware of the trial or its circumstances. Student Betsy Haverkamp said, "I'm not from Maryville so I haven't really followed it. It wouldn't interest me since I'm not going to be here after this semester."

And there are still others who prefer to wait until Pankau's sentencing before forming an opinion. One such person is Dixie Hasty, of the Textbook Service, who said, "I think I will wait until after the sentencing to make an opinion."

Around the Tower



KDLX, Phi Mu sponsor swimathon

KDLX and the Phi Mu sorority will sponsor the American Association Swimathon, March 21. For more information call Sue Pearson in 317 Roberta.

Library hours shortened break week

Dr. C.W. Koch, director of the B.D. Owens Library, has announced the schedule of the library hours during mid-semester break.

The library will be opened March 6-9 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Regular hours will resume on March 12.

Faculty Senate elects officers

Officers recently elected to the 11th Faculty Senate are Wayne VanZomeran, assistant professor of psychology, president; Charles Hawkins, assistant professor of accounting, vice president; Dale Midland, assistant professor of English, secretary. They will formally take office following the current spring semester.

Pi Mu Epsilon holds ceremonies

Ten students and one faculty member were initiated into the Pi Mu Epsilon honorary mathematics fraternity. The ceremonies took place recently on campus.

At the ceremonies, Julie Pickering received the Pi Mu Epsilon Service Award. Jeff Harper was presented the Pi Mu Epsilon Scholarship.

Symphonic Band to tour high schools

The Northwest Missouri State University's Symphonic Band will perform at several high schools as part of their 1984 Concert Tour. Ninety Northwest students are participating in this two-day tour.

The band performed at Maryville, Rock Port and Chillicothe high schools Jan. 29. The band will also perform at Cameron and Chillicothe high schools March 1, under the direction of Al Sergel and Ernest Woodruff.

The program opens with the *Procession of Nobles* Chris Gibson, a woodwind faculty member, will perform a saxophone and clarinet solo accompanied by the Wind Ensemble. Other selections are *Emblem of Unity March* and the *Invocation and Toccata*.

The program shifts to highlights of Rickenbrode Stadium with the band selections from the 1983 football season. Performing with the band in this segment are the 12-member Bearcat Steppers, the Northwest feature twirler and six members of the 16-member Northwest Flag Corps.

The finale of the program is *Spanish Fever* where the seniors from the host high school band are invited to play with the University Band.

Number of Nigerian students may be cut

COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

The United States government last month intercepted a cable from the Nigerian Central Bank to its days-old government outlining a policy that could "drastically" reduce the number of Nigerian students attending American universities next year.

"There appears to be a change in policy that has been initiated by the Central Bank of Nigeria that could have major consequences, reducing the number of Nigerians (here) by as much as 75 percent," said Norman Peterson of the National Association for Foreign Student Affairs.

"For undergraduate students, there will be no new approvals to change money into foreign currency to be taken from the country (Nigeria) for education," Peterson said paraphrasing the cable. "It means there will be no money for new undergraduate students. Current undergraduates will most likely continue to receive money for schooling in the U.S., however."

The cable does provide for new as well as current graduate students, stating the Central Bank "will allow certain students to begin new programs if sponsored by a Nigerian

government entity—either state or national," Peterson said.

The Jan. 31 military coup of Shehu Shagari's Nigerian government by Maj. Gen. Mohammed Buhari prompted educators' worries that Nigerian students here might fall far behind in their tuition payments.

The overall debt of Nigerian students in the United States had swelled to \$10 million last fall, according to Georgia Stewart of the NAFSA, and colleges all over the country threatened to discontinue the Nigerians' education until their debts were paid in part or full.

Nigerian Embassy Press Officer Joseph Obodeze, unaware of the Central Bank cable, learned of his government's new policies from articles in Nigerian newspapers.

"I've received no formal letter of new policy from the new government," he said. "According to the newspapers, the government wants to curtail the number of new undergraduates in particular."

The bank's primary concern, he said, is the drain of Nigeria's reserves of foreign currency.

"The problem is with getting the foreign exchange to pay for new students' tuition. They don't want to

let the reserves of foreign currency out of the country too fast," Peterson said.

That explains in large part Nigeria's history of "slow pay," Obodeze said. In the past, certain students' tuitions have gone unpaid for as long as three years.

"The money will continue to come out to the U.S. for current students," Obodeze promises.

Peterson agrees that although the Nigerian government is "incredibly slow, their student debts are dependably paid. That is, the default percentage is low."

"Because of the incredible bureaucracies and difficult short-term money flow, they're extremely

slow to get tuition money to the U.S.," he explains.

Approximately 20,000 Nigerians are studying in the U.S. this school year. The majority of students owe thousands of dollars to their schools, according to NAFSA. At the University of Maryland, for example, 12 Nigerian students owed a total of \$35,000 until last month, when the government sent a substantial check after school administrators threatened to bar the students from the spring semester.

If the policy outlined in the Central Bank cable is implemented, the number of Nigerian students in the U.S. could shrink by as much as 75 percent, Peterson estimates.

Money tight for Nigerians

BY BONNIE CORRICE
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One of Northwest's 17 Nigerian students who has a keen interest in this policy's development is Cyril Aburime, 20-year-old junior, with a double major in marketing and data processing. "The main problem is that there will be no funds for new students, or just a small amount. The Nigerian government will try to continue. I think they should try to continue. It wouldn't make much sense to send people here to go to school and then run out of money before they finish."

Nigerian students attended American universities either as an independent student sponsored by family or friends, as Aburime is, or sponsored by a government scholarship. Either way, money is tight for the Nigerian students here.

"You're not guaranteed money," Aburime explained. "It works like this. The Foreign Student Office here draws up the list of expenses, then it is sent to the Nigerian Embassy, then a fund request is drawn up which goes to the student's sponsor and finally to the Nigerian Central Bank. A private bank must exchange the Nigerian money into American

money."

Aburime knows first hand the frustration of attempting to cut the red tape surrounding the money. He has not received any money from Nigeria since early January, 1983.

"It has a bad effect. There is frustration and it comes to a point when you start getting hassled by the school, administration for not paying your bills," he said. "I'm not saying the school isn't understanding, but I have since run out of money. I put a loan on my car last year, but that money has run out too. I'm just hanging on," Aburime said. He works in Taylor Commons cafeteria five hours per week to help make ends meet.

He has suggestions he thinks might help. "In the first place, the most that can be done is to solve the red tape problem in Nigeria and that must be done by Nigeria. Also, international students should be made eligible for loans here so we can go to school and pay back the money," he said.

"This is a very big psychological problem," Aburime said. "Each day I go out to the mailbox and hope to get a check from Nigeria but all I get is a note from the school telling me I'm late with a tuition payment."

Sheltered Workshop dance sponsored by AKL fraternity

BY TORI SYBERT
Staff Writer

Approximately 35 Nodaway County Sheltered Workshop employees attended an Alpha Kappa Lambda sponsored dance Feb. 23, according to Bob Montgomery, AKL president. The 7 p.m. event was held at the fraternity's house, 412 West 16th Street.

"They (the Sheltered Workshop employees) loved it. They always enjoy it," Larry Chapasko of the Workshop said. "The AKLs did an outstanding job last night. I'm still hearing about it, and I'll hear about it for a week." Chapasko coordinated the event, along with AKL Philanthropic Chairman Larry Henry.

The fraternity holds a dance, also providing refreshments of cookies,

tea and punch, once each semester as a service project. Montgomery said, "It's a good time. It's a little intimidating if you've never done it before. Some people have a fear of them (the Sheltered Workshop employees), but once you really get going, it's really a nice time, and we really do enjoy meeting them."

The Workshop trains handicapped individuals who cannot be hired in normal situations for certain aspects of jobs, according to Chapasko. "We also try to build a social atmosphere for them," he said, through projects such as the AKL dance.

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who leave the University. "It was 40 percent but is now down to 35 percent," Owens said. "That still seems high to me but the national average is 50-54 percent. We've made good progress in knocking six to eight points off."

He added, "We want to avoid the situation where a person enters Northwest and finds they don't relate to college at all and they can't find anything that stimulates them so they become a dropout."

Perhaps the biggest task of Owens' tenure at Northwest was recovering from the 1979 fire that destroyed much of the Administration Building.

"When we lost this building, we lost the theater on the back of the building, a large amount of

classroom space and many offices," Owens said. "The upshot was that when the governor came up, I gave a commitment to the governor and the legislature to find the least costly means of restoration."

One alternative was to rebuild the Administration Building as it was before, at a cost of about \$16.8 million. Many people favored this method because of the building's unique appearance, Owens said.

The preferred alternative was to restore what was left of the Administration Building, replace the library (which had structural problems and had been the top priority for repair) so it could be used for classroom space, replace Wells with a new library and construct a new theater. The approximate cost for all

of this was \$13.8 million, "which made sense to the governor and he included it in his appropriations request," he said.

"We're a little bit behind in completion—the state has gotten behind on us," he continued. "The new theater will open in September, the way it stands now. The old library is number one on the list for heating, air conditioning and roof repair," he added.

"The thing that's made this presidency so enjoyable is the competency and drive of the people here under sometimes difficult circumstances. Not that everyone agrees all the time, but here people respect each other."

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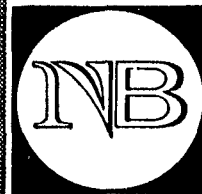
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Spring break getaways range from sunny beaches to gambling casinos

BY MARYANN MCWILLIAMS
Staff Writer

Looking for a fun-filled, exciting, relaxing, yet affordable way to spend spring break? Many people are headed for fun-in-the-sun, mountain climbing or skiing via the Outdoor Program and the Maryville Travel Agency.

Approximately 80 people are going to Daytona Beach, Fla., March 2-11. Sponsored by the Outdoor Program, the trip costs \$195 for transportation and lodging. Food and drinks are an extra charge per person.

Backpacking with the Outdoor Program in the Chisos Mountains of Big Bend National Park, Texas, is another way about 17 people are spending spring break. For \$150, each person receives transportation, food, instructions and equipment to climb in the sunny mountain weather.

Maryville Travel offers flights and package tours to various cities and states across the United States.

"We have a few people going to Las Vegas," said Brenda Jacques, travel agent. "The trip is sold out."

South Padre Island is a favorite place to go on spring break, Jacques said.

Located on a slender strip of land along the Texas Gulf Coast from Corpus Christi to the Mexican border, Padre Island offers fishing, sailing, water skiing, tennis, swimming and sunbathing for only \$150 round trip air fare.

"I went to South Padre Island last year (during spring break) and it was a good time," said Tracy Herman, Northwest sophomore. "If you like the beach and like to party, it's the place to be."

"They have dances, bars, the beach, sand castle building contests and water slides," she added. "We even spent a day in Mexico."

For less than \$200, Maryville Travel offers roundtrip air fare on various flights to Tampa and Orlan-

do, Fla., Phoenix, Ariz. and Denver, Colo.

"We have a couple of people going to Florida," Jacques said.

In central Florida, sunny Orlando is the home of Walt Disney World Theme Park, Epcot Center, Sea World and Circus World plus numerous other attractions.

On the other hand, Tampa is located on the warm West Coast close to Tampa Bay. Besides soaking up a few rays, people can venture to Busch Gardens/the Dark Continent theme park for fun.

"My family and I are flying to Florida," Susan Miles, Northwest freshman, said. "We are flying into St. Petersburg (by Tampa) and then driving to Punta Gorda to visit relatives."

To the West, Denver and Phoenix offer the pleasures of city life, sunshine, mountains or skiing.

The flight to Denver is a special fare of \$120 roundtrip in March, Jacques said.

For a little more money, Los Angeles and San Diego, Calif., Hawaii, Washington, D.C., and Nassau, Bahamas are options for spring break.

They are interesting and beautiful places, Jacques said.

In Los Angeles, people could bask in the sun and sand or visit Hollywood, Rodeo Drive, Disneyland or Universal Studios.

In semi-tropical San Diego, the San Diego Zoo and the border town of Tijuana, Mexico, are colorful sites.

Farther away, Hawaii and Nassau are private and relaxing.

"Hawaii is a beautiful place to go for spring break," Jacques said.

Diamond Head, a volcano on Oahu, a Hawaiian Luau or a private sand beach surrounded by green gardens could be a relief for those wanting to get away from Maryville.

Several trips not only include roundtrip air fare, but hotel accommodations for up to five nights.

"All prices are subject to change which is the policy of the airlines," Jacques explained. "However, once the ticket is purchased, the price won't change."

All flights leave from Kansas City, on various airlines to their designations.

Although several people are going on trips over spring break, many students are just going to their hometowns to work or relax.

"I'm going home to work at Lead Way Center in Shelby, Iowa," Deb Andersen, Northwest freshman, said.

"I'm going to do homework over spring break and work at Brown's Shoe Fit and J. Bruners restaurant (in Clarinda, Iowa)," said Amy Glenn, Northwest junior.

Whether students are going on a trip with the Outdoor Program or one arranged by Maryville Travel or just going home, everyone is anxious for the break.

Oriental art collection, program in gallery March 12

BY TERI RIPPERGER
Staff Writer

When most people hear the word art, they think of Picasso. At the Fine Arts Building it means a collection of Historic and Contemporary Oriental Art work. The University received the collection on loan from private collectors.

The art work comes mainly from China, Taiwan, Japan, Korea, Thailand and a few other countries. Ken Nelson and Phillip Laber, assistant professor of art, are currently "designing the exhibit from scratch."

The art dates from 200 B.C to the contemporary years. Most of the work comes from the 16th to the 19th centuries.

Tower positions open for next year

BY TORI SYBERT
Staff Writer

Six editorial positions on the 1984-85 Northwest Tower staff are now open, according to Laura Widmer, yearbook adviser. Applications are available from Widmer in 22 McCracken Hall, and must be returned by March 30. Each applicant must also provide two letters of recommendation, with one of those being from a Northwest instructor.

Those chosen to fill the slots will begin work April 2, and continue through March 1, 1985.

Widmer said that although these are paid positions, a person may also earn one hour of journalism practicum credit for his work in one of the positions.

Those editorial positions open include editor-in-chief, production manager, copy editor, activities editor, photography editor and darkroom technician.

Widmer recommended that the editor-in-chief be a mass communications major, and said that that person must have at least one year of yearbook experience at Northwest. The editor is responsible for determining the Tower's editorial policy, preparing and maintaining the production log, editor's ladder and progress chart, supervising the other editors, reviewing all copy and photos before they go to print and holding regularly scheduled staff meetings.

The production manager is in charge of all layout and paste-up, must determine the page format to be used and see that it is followed consistently, and must proof each spread before it is sent to the editor for final approval.

Knowing and employing the rules of the Associated Press Stylebook, the copy editor must read all copy for consistency and quality. This person is also responsible for teaching the Tower staff the techniques of good and accurate reporting.

The activities editor must keep a master calendar of all activities on the Northwest campus and see that those events are covered by the yearbook staff.

Making photo assignments to the staff, the photography editor also determines which pictures to use and crops them. He also issues film and supplies to the photographers, keeps a file of negatives and is in charge of a photo morgue.

The darkroom technician mixes all chemicals, develops all film, prints and touches up all photos and keeps an up-to-date photo file.

"I encourage people to apply or join the staff because I think they will be pleasantly surprised with this year's book. And we will be striving to go even a step further next year," Widmer said.

Widmer said that staff positions are also open on the Tower, for which a person may receive one hour of journalism practicum credit. Those interested in one of these slots should also see Widmer.

Senate returns \$4,500

BY SHELLY CROWLEY
Staff Writer

Student Senate has voted to give back an allotted \$4,500 to the University. The University is requesting the return to help make up for a two percent cut that is in effect statewide. The money is taken from higher education when it is lacking in other areas.

Student Senate President Roxanne Swaney stated that Student Senate had been assured that the student organizations would not have restrictions next year and it was a one time offer. The University just did not have the money to use this year. The clubs should receive the original allocations next year.

CAPs and personnel were just two other areas that were involved in the cutback to help ease the deficit.

Fining has been approved at hall court level and there is an option to be put on campus probation if an incident occurs in halls.

There is a grandparent professor proposal in the works which would put retired professors in the position as one on one counselors. The counselors are overloaded and many retired professors are willing to help out with various student problems.

Senate has endorsed the idea to put an international student on as a representative. The student would represent the interests of their group.

Professor Corley stated, "In the past we have tried to bring people into the University community." They feel this would be a good way.

Representatives just returned from a Harvard University voter registration conference. They attended seminars based on state registrations. Seminars were also held on how to get students out to vote. A program will be presented at the March 20 meeting.

The Senate will be issuing a new survey on how the student body feels the services on campus are meeting their needs. The students will be asked to fill out their various opinions so the campus can get feed back and make positive changes.

Senate elections were held and the new members are John Timberlake for new off-campus representative and Leslie Cunningham for Panhellenic.

The Catch-a-Ride board has been posted for people looking for rides home. They can look on this board in the Union and find out if anyone is going their way.

There are new beef box forms in the union and Senate has okayed the Coors company so they can post advertisement posters in the dorms and on the bulletin boards.

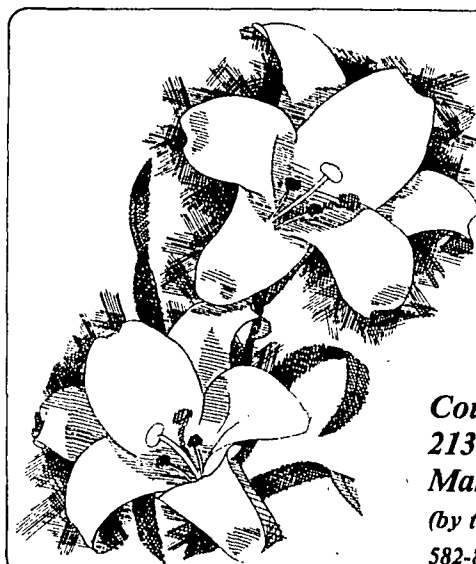
The Senate is still providing absentee ballots for the surrounding states, for anyone who is interested in voting.

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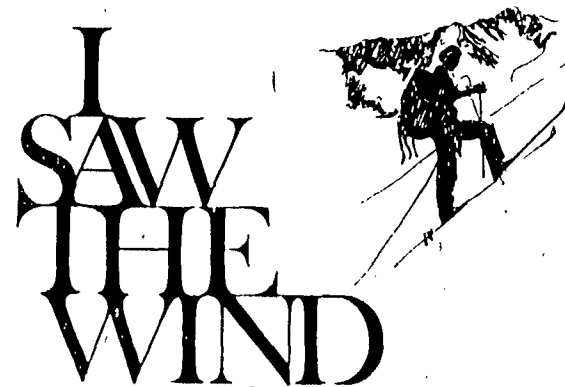
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Letters to the Editor



Give Greek system a chance

Dear Editor:

Well, it's 3:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 24 and I can't sleep. You see, there's something I need to say.

Yesterday there was an attempt to have a campus-wide G.D.I. Day. I would not say it was too successful; however, I did notice it as several people I know participated.

To get straight to the point, I was a G.D.I. for three semesters before pledging Tau Kappa Epsilon this semester. There is one thing I want you to understand though, when I was a G.D.I., the "I" didn't stand for "Independent," it stood for "Ignorant." I hadn't in the least sense given the Greek system a chance.

This semester I did give it a chance by going through rush very seriously. Now I don't mean I went to every party and got drunk. In fact, if you

knew me you'd know I feel if you have to get drunk to have fun around people, you'd better find some new people to hang around with. What I did do was ask a lot of questions. I tried to write a book: 101 Questions To Ask While Rushing. Perhaps someday I'll finish it as I only came up with 93 questions. The point is I allowed myself to see the positive side of the Greek system as well as the bad.

I'd love to tell you why I went to TKE, but the purpose of this letter is to tell you why I went Greek. And let me state here that it was not only Clark Greiner, Steve Healey, Steve "Peat" Moss, and Chris Mooberry of Tau Kappa Epsilon; but also Jack Collins, Steve Anderson, and Jerry Mikusa of Delta Chi and Randy Cox and Barry Myers of Sigma Phi Epsilon that turned me on to the Greek

system. The Greek system is not for everyone - I do feel it is for me. If you want to be a G.D.I., fantastic! Just do yourself a favor, make sure the "I" stands for "Independent," not "Ignorant." The Greek system is not for everyone. But should people make a mockery of it if they have never given it a chance?

In closing, perhaps I should say why I went Greek. When I graduated from high school, I walked away with a diploma - nothing else. Sure I have good memories, but no close friends to keep in touch with. I don't want to make the same mistake twice. Like I said, be a G.D.I. if you want to - just make sure the "I" stands for "Independent," not "Ignorant."

Sincerely,
David Cox



Wake up! The testimony is over--it's time for lunch.

Court plays 'Let's Make a Deal' Justice plays 'Let's Make a Deal'

A great example of how our American court system works is the Pankau/Morgan murder trial held in Maryville last Thursday and Friday.

Frustration is the word that best describes the way we felt as some of us sat and listened to Thomas McClurg and Harry Justus Jr. testify to punching and kicking Wallace N. Morgan about the head and chest, knowing all the time that their testimony would not be held against them because of a plea bargain they made with David Baird, county prosecuting attorney.

The deal they made with Baird states that if they would testify at the Pankau trial, the county would reduce their charge down to second-degree assault. A sentence that would give them not more than one year in jail.

We can assure you that we will certainly sleep better at night knowing that these two local "good ole boys" will be paying their dues during that one single year in jail.

A year behind bars, we feel, is certainly a just and fair sentence for the two men who testified in front of citizens, a jury and God, that they, along with two other men, got drunk and decided to have a little fun.

Justus testified that the statement Pankau made on July 2, "Let's give the nigger a blanket party," began the black man's ordeal.

Was this a cold blooded and calculated action? Justus testified that a plan Pankau devised to beat-up Morgan while a blanket was tossed over his head was discussed and then carried out by three of the four fun-seekers. The fourth man lended a helping hand and foot halfway through the beating.

They each in turn punched Morgan three or four times and then Pankau kicked Morgan a few more times before letting Morgan retreat to his jail cell. But wait--the first beating was so much fun, they decided to go back and beat him a second time despite his bleeding face and pleas for mercy.

The fourth beating lacked excitement, Morgan could not stand on his own anymore so they had to kick quickly to get a good blow in before he fell to the floor.

As they listened to the testimony,

they, the gatekeepers of truth and honesty in the courtroom, should be admired for the way they never once showed how concerned they were over this serious issue. We can easily sympathize with the difficulties they had to surmount that day. If we had been given a rocking chair to snuggle into rather than the hard, cold courtroom pews everyone else sat on, then perhaps we too would have fallen asleep, missing out on some of the pertinent information of the trial, and thus making it difficult to do anything, but to rule the young, handsome, white boy guilty of manslaughter. After all, he didn't

mean to kill anyone; he just wanted to have some fun.

To admire a few judges' decision to take the three percent sales tax and give the courthouse a much needed facelift, rather than constructing a new jailhouse would be absurd. A new jailhouse would have provided Morgan the protection of a private cell he needed that infamous night, July 2. After all, the majority of Nodaway County residents can enjoy the beauty of the newly-renovated courthouse, while only a select few will ever have the chance to enjoy a new city jail.

IRC comments on trial

Dear Editor:

The Northwest Missouri State University Inter-Residence Council wishes to make clear its position, both on the death of Wallace Morgan and the death of any Northwest student for that matter.

The recent trial of one of Morgan's assailants has created a situation which we feel requires some kind of

statement. As student representatives and as students, we deplore the loss of any member of the campus community, in particular one of the international students attending school in the United States as guests of Northwest.

International students add greatly to the diversity and intellectual life on campus, and we wish to make it clear that they are welcome here as fellow

human beings and equals.

IRC feels that we speak for all students--black and white, international and American--in expressing our regret over this incident, and asserting in the strongest possible terms our determination to avoid another such incident.

The IRC

Yager's old record forgotten

Dear Editor:

To become an all-time Bearcat assist leader, as Victor Coleman did in the Bearcat-UMSL basketball game on Feb. 18, is a splendid achievement.

Todd Behrends, your staff writer, aptly pointed out Coleman's accomplishment in his Feb. 24, Northwest Missourian article of the game, and Behrends-as Forum Sports Editor Stu Osterthun did

earlier--informed the readers that Mark Yager, former Bearcat forward and guard, previously held Northwest's career assist mark.

Someone, however, must have been dozing during the post-game accolades when Coleman was given his plaque for his record-breaking performance. Yager, now a Bearcat assistant coach, was present but he was not acknowledged. With both men at courtside, the omission, it seems to me, is egregious. Could not a minute have been taken to at least

mention the former Bearcat great?

The fans, to be sure, would have been delighted to see the predecessor and successor, two popular athletes, sharing a "high-five" and a friendly congratulatory embrace. I am sorry that we who remained missed out on what could have been a memorable and scintillating scene between these two gracious gentlemen and former teammates.

Virgil Albertini

What will the new president do?

Dear Editor

The foundations of NWMSU quaked and shivered with the unexpected announcement of Bob Owens' resignation of the presidency of our enduring institution. What cogs are turning in his "e.d.b.d." mind? Who is he "Owen" too? Some conjectures is that he seeks the Chancellorship at

the University of Missouri but that seems to be inconsequential. Could it be the Governorship of our great state or perhaps a seat in Congress. It is hard to be sure what precipice he will climb, but one thing is certain; those he is leaving behind are not sleeping well. From his secretary through his highest vice-presidents, many jobs are at stake.

Pity to his successor. There is no new ground to break; no sidewalks or roads to remove, relay or replace; no new building to bear his name through the ages. He will have only the great debts to remind him of his predecessor's legacy.

Joseph Burns

Wanted: one hit and run driver

Dear Editor:

This past weekend's incident was one of great annoyance for me. Some inconsiderate and criminal individual hit my white '81 Firebird driver's door by Roberta Hall and left the scene.

May I address the owner of the light blue care who decided to play tag with my Firebird?

Dear Imbecile
It isn't so much that you hit my

car, but the fact that you left the scene without leaving a note of how I could reach you or anything. Fortunately with insurance, I can afford to pay for the damage. I am assuming you can not, which is why you left the scene.

Although your unexcusable behavior and conduct will not be long forgotten, I hope you learn to improve your driving skills. I'm sure not every other car owner on campus would like to be a willing bumper car participant with you.

If you don't improve your skills, please let the other car owner know who you are. They may not be able to afford the damage. It's only right that you help pay.

Thank you very much for your time. See, not everyone at Northwest is inconsiderate!

Owner of the once undamaged white Firebird.

P.S. Wait till the day someone says, "Tag, you're it!"

Calendar of Events

MARCH						
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- March 1**--PRSSA meeting, Lower Lakeview Room, 3:30 p.m.
--Society of Professional Journalists/Sigma Delta Chi meeting, Upper Lakeview Room, 7 p.m.
--Religious Emphasis Day
--MIAA Tournament
--Coor's presentation, sponsored by the American Marketing Association, Governor's Room, 4 p.m.
--Delta Chi pledge class slave auction, Roberta Hall lounge, 7 p.m.

March 2--GSL deadline

March 5--Spring break
--Bearcat baseball at Oklahoma

March 6--Spring break
--Bearcat baseball at Texas Wesleyan

March 7--Spring break
--Bearcat baseball at Dallas Baptist

March 8--Spring break
--Bearcat baseball at Texas Christian

March 9--Spring break

March 12--"I Saw the Wind", Horace Mann Auditorium, 8 p.m.
--Tickets for spring concert, Greg Kihn Band go on sale.
--Meeting for student teachers, Horace Mann Auditorium, 4 p.m.

March 12-April 6--Historic and Contemporary Oriental Art, Olive DeLuce Gallery

Stroller



Stroller sat on his bed contemplating his future. What in the world will he do over spring break? He has a whole week to laze around doing absolutely nothing.

"Well, Teddy, how shall we amuse ourselves during break?" asked Stroller. "We could go home, but there isn't much to do back home. I really don't feel like spending my nights watching the teeny-boppers cruise up and down mainstreet."

Stroller thought and thought about what he could do. He leaned back on his bed, closing his eyes, letting his whole body relax. Stroller began to fall into a deep peaceful sleep.

Gentle rolling waves, a warm salty breeze blowing his hair. Ah, like a vision from heaven, an idea came to him. Stroller would jump on a bus and set his sights for the fun and glory that only Daytona Beach can bring!

Who knows? With a little luck even the Stroller might get lucky down at Daytona. Daytona is one of the most popular places for college students during their hard earned break. Surely someone would like Stroller.

Stroller smiled in his slumber as he thought about everything he could do on the beach. He had always wanted

to take Teddy to the beach and show him the proper way to build sandcastles. He could team up with some cute little beach bunny and walk along the coast, gazing at the sunset. It would almost be like an old Frankie Avalon and Annette Funicello movie.

Stroller and Teddy could lie on the sand and sacrifice their cold pale Midwestern bodies to the sun gods. Stroller could baste himself with suntan oil, lay back and sip Shasta cola just like the commercial. If only it could be....

"Stroller wake up!" said Orville. Stroller woke from his tropical reverie. "What is it now?" he impatiently snapped.

"How about you and me signing up for the Daytona trip?" asked Orville.

"You and me go to Daytona...TOGETHER!" exclaimed Stroller. "Orville if we went together, it would defeat the whole purpose. No offense, but you cramp my style. Besides your flannel nightshirt would be too hot down there."

"But I just gotta go! Look what I bought on sale at K-Mart." Orville said as he held up a pair of deep burgundy g-string swim trunks. Stroller burst out laughing. "Oh,

Orville, what are you planning to fill those with! My inflatable beach ball? Besides, burgundy is not your best color."

"Then I suppose I won't even show you the matching beach towel that came with it," Orville snorted.

"I bet you even bought a bottle of Coppertone too," Stroller said still laughing.

"They were on sale two for a dollar."

"You really want to go, don't you Orville?" asked Stroller when he saw the look of anticipation in Orville's eyes. "It really means a lot to you?"

"Yeah, it does. I think its time I get out and see the world."

"All right, I'll go, but I don't want you hanging around all the time. And I don't want sand kicked in my face!" Stroller said.

"Golly, gee, thanks Stroller! You're the best roommate ever!"

How will the Daytona dream turn out? Will the trunks fit Orville? Will Stroller pick up a beach bunny? Will Orville pick up a beach bunny because the chick likes burgundy? Will Teddy become a chief architect in sandcastles? These questions and more will probably remained unanswered.

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Bearcats, Bearkittens ready for MIAA post-season play tonight

BY JIM BURROUGHS
Sports Editor

The action will be intense at Lamkin Gym tonight as the Northwest men play host to Southeast Missouri State in round one of the MIAA Post-Season Tournament. Northwest won the right to host the game since they were the second-seeded team going into the tourney.

Northwest and Southeast have squared off twice this season with each team winning at their respective home courts. Northwest has one advantage over the Indians this particular time since they are playing on their home court. A lot of pressure will be on the Bearcats because, less than two weeks ago, Southeast had the home court advantage and beat the Bearcats by 16 points. A home crowd is an advantage and Coach Lionel Sinn knows this.

"We have had some great crowds and full houses," said Sinn. "I hope all our fans will dig down for that \$2 and come on out and be with us tonight because we need them."

Even with the loss to Southeast, Coach Sinn does not expect to change his game plan, but to play them the way he has played everybody else this season.

"We are going to try to keep them (Southeast) away from their second shots and third shots," said Sinn. "We will have to combat the aggressiveness of their defense. There will be no gigantic change in game plan but we are going to try to do what we've been doing and try to do it as well as we can and do it a little better than we can."

During the regular season, the Bearcats finished at 23-4, which is the most wins for a Northwest men's team in 52 years. The only losses of the year were to Division I schools Nebraska and Drake and the losses to Division II schools Central and Southeast. The last two games hurt the 'Cats since it eliminated them from winning the conference championship.

"We would have liked to of had the conference title," Sinn said. "We did our best, but we are not ashamed that we came up a little short. That doesn't mean that we are not disappointed that we didn't get it. In a lot of ways, it has been an extraordinary year. What would cap it off would be to play really well in the NCAA Tournament."

This will be the second appearance for the Bearcats at the national tournament. In their first meeting in 1982, the 'Cats lost to Biscayne and Florida Southern at the South Regional. Florida Southern was runner-up in 1982 and were the overall champions in NCAA Division II in 1981.

"We showed two years ago that we were capable of playing with a national champion and taking them to the wire on their floor," said Sinn. "We have shown that we can play with the best teams in the country. We want to take one step at a time and see if we can beat some of the best teams in the country and win a game or games in the national tournament."

"This week's conference tournament is really just a tune up. It's a kind of thing that we want to use to build momentum for the NCAA Division II Tournament."

Bearkittens (MIAA post-season)

The Northwest women will go head to head tonight as they take on Southeast Missouri State in Cape Girardeau in the first round of the MIAA post-season tournament. In the last match-up between the two teams Southeast won 87-67.

"Last time that we were down there, I didn't feel we were physically ready to play the ballgame," said Coach Wayne Winstead. "We had just come off a stretch of flu that had been going through the team. Several of the team members had been out and were not able to practice. We're back; I feel in the groove. I think we should play a lot better ball."

Coach Winstead stressed that he

would not change his game plan. He was just going to go down to Southeast and play it almost like any other game.

"We are going to go down and are going to do those things that have been good to us this season, which have won for us. But we are going to be quick to change if we have to. We're going to pull out all the stops and play it to the best of our ability," he said.

During the course of the regular season, the Bearkittens sported a 24-3 record. After achieving a 19-0 overall record and a 5-0 record in the conference, the 'Kittens were rated the Number 1 team in the nation in NCAA Division II. A loss two nights later to Division I Creighton (Omaha, Neb.), knocked the 'Kittens out of the ranking a week later.

The only other two games that the women have lost have been to Central and Southeast. Northwest has a chance to avenge that loss of two weeks ago to Southeast, but it will be a tough task to do.

The women finished in a three-way tie for first place in the MIAA conference so a coin toss was used to decide on the seeds going into the tournament. As it turns out, the 'Kittens lost the toss and ended up third, missing a chance to host the first game. According to Coach Winstead, if this should ever happen again, the

schools that are tied, but have the best record in the NCAA Division II, will get the bids for the host schools.

If the women want a bid for the national tournament, they are in a must-win situation. They cannot afford to lose and then just pray to get in.

"Hopefully, we'll win this tournament or at least win one of the games so that we will have an almost automatic bid into the national playoffs," Winstead said. "However, if we shouldn't win the first ballgame, we are going to be at the mercy of the committee for an at-large bid to the national tournament."

"This year with the strength of the teams of this region, the number two team of the tournament pretty much has the inside in a selection. If we would happen to wind up number three in the tournament, the fact that we had been ranked in the top four for most of the season and have the kind of record that we had, we would have a pretty good chance of getting a selection to the national tournament," said Winstead.

"We really need to win this ballgame in order to assure us a spot in the national playoffs," Winstead said. "However, I feel our young ladies are back in pretty good shape and we've been playing well in practice. I think we are going to be more ready for this ballgame than we were the last time we were down at



Coach Lionel Sinn has a chat with a referee during a timeout against UMSL. (Missourian Photo/Edmundo Barrera)

'Kittens tie for title with Mules, Otahkians

BY SHARI HARNEY
Staff Writer

Diane Kloewer and Kim Scamman combined for 55 points as Northwest beat Lincoln 98-69, in the last game of the regular season of women's play Feb. 25 in Jefferson City.

The season ended with the 'Kittens having the best win record in Northwest history 24-3. The season also produced the first women's conference/league title since the MIAA championship of 1975-76.

Kloewer had 34 points while Scamman scored 21 points and added five assists. Betty Olson contributed 13 points and grabbed nine rebounds

while Beth Thater helped with 10 points and six rebounds.

The game was close through much of the first half, with Lincoln wiping out several early Northwest six-point leads to take a 26-24 lead with 6:55 left in the opening half. But Northwest took charge of the rest of the first half, outscoring the Tigerettes, 19-7, and taking a 43-33 halftime lead.

The Tigers came out trying to claw their way to a victory but only getting as close as six, 41-47, with 17:30 to go in the game. Northwest got another wind and stormed to as much as a 31-point lead at one point in the game, 88-57, before posting the final

29-point margin.

Bearkittens vs. Otahkians

Southeast Missouri State (SEMO) shut down Northwest's offense to post a 87-67 victory over the 'Kittens in MIAA conference play in Cape Girardeau, Feb. 22. The loss put the Kittens, SEMO and Central Mo. State in a three-way tie for first place.

The first half was a battle, as each team took their turn with the lead. However, with 2:39 left to play, SEMO's Mary Herring launched a 20-foot jump shot to give the Otahkians a 29-27 lead which then resulted in two more baskets. Kim Scamman got her turn with a 10-foot jumper, but that wasn't enough as

SEMO went on to take a 33-29 lead as the halftime buzzer sounded.

Southeast quickly grabbed a six-point lead in the second half, only allowing Northwest to score five times in the first six minutes. Northwest called for their second time out with 11:51 left to play, being down by 19 points. The 'Kittens just couldn't get it together as the Otahkians went on to take a 87-67 victory.

Northwest couldn't get its offense moving, as the 'Kittens only shot 48 percent while SEMO hit 75 percent.

Kim Scamman kept Northwest in the game by scoring 18 points. Marla Sapp and Diane Kloewer each added 14.

'Cats set new win mark

BY TODD BEHREND
Staff Writer

The Northwest Missouri State men's basketball team ended their regular season with an 84-72 victory over Lincoln University, Feb. 25, in Jefferson City.

The win gave the 'Cats a 23-4 record, the best winning percentage, (.852), since 1939 and the best overall win total since Henry Iba's 1931-32 teams' 24-2 record.

The game was close throughout the early going, as both teams were tied seven times before Northwest exploded, scoring seven points in a two minute span, taking a 21-14 lead with 9:43 in the half.

Lincoln never seriously challenged again, as the 'Cats held a 39-31 halftime lead.

Tom Bildner led all scorers with 19 points. Tod Gordon scored 14, while Victor Coleman and Joe Hurst added continued on page 6

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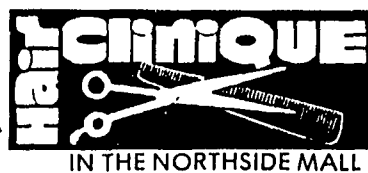
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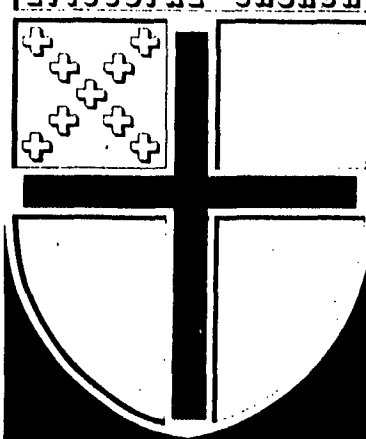
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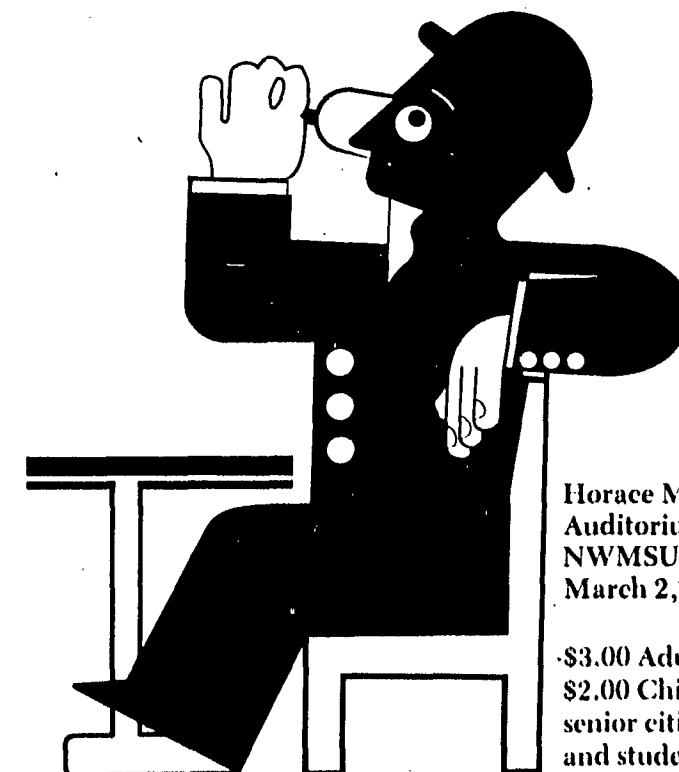
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Love finishes runner-up at national tournament

BY JIM BURROUGHS
Sports Editor

Junior Wayne Love was just one win short in bringing home an individual championship in his weight class at the NCAA Division II Championships in Baltimore Feb. 24-25. Seven wrestlers total competed in the meet, which saw the team place 12th out of 47 teams.

Love won his first three matches before being defeated by Booker Benfort of Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville by a 10-3 score. This was Love's second consecutive second-place finish at the runner-up spot. Love, who finished second last year while wrestling for Ellsworth Junior College, finished this season at 37-9. In addition to his runner-up at nationals, Love was an MIAA champion in his weight class and was named All-American at the national tournament.

Mike Brown, 118-pounder finished eighth at the nationals besides being named an All-American. Brown won two matches and lost one the first day of competition which was good enough to advance to the next day. After losing his first match on that day, Brown was defeated by Scott Knowlen of North Dakota University. At his 118 position, Brown was 19-14 and was the MIAA champion of his respected weight class.

Also placing eighth at nationals was Bill Eaton, Northwest's 167-pounder. After losing in the first round, Eaton defeated the number two seed of the tournament in a wrestle-back to advance to the next day's competition. Eaton then lost consecutive matches to Paul Jnck of Ferris State on a fall at 1:13 and to Dave Maiorana of Ashland College in the seventh-place match. Eaton finished the season with a 33-20 record, was MIAA champion in his weight class, was named All-American at nationals and also broke the pin record with 20 pins this season.

Craig Schwienebart, Northwest's winningest wrestler this season, lost his first match at 142 pounds on the first day and then saw his opponent who defeated him, lose his next two matches, thus eliminated Schwienebart from the championship. To his credits, Schwienebart had a 42-11 record, which set a mark for wins in a single-season, was MIAA champion in his class and was voted the outstanding wrestler at the MIAA tournament.

Dale Crozier, 150-pounder, lost to

the number one seed of the tournament in the first round, won one wrestle-back match and then was defeated in the next match to be eliminated. Crozier, Northwest's all time leading career wrestler, finishes his tenure with a 111-57-2 record, 28-18 this season.

Mike Flanagan, 167-pounder, lost two consecutive matches on the first day of competition to be eliminated from the tourney. Flanagan finished the season with a 35-11 record and was the MIAA champion in his bracket.

Miles Erickson, 158-pounder, won his first match of the tournament but had to default his ensuing matches because he injured his wrist while wrestling in his second match. Erickson, who finishes the season at 30-5, only lost four matches during the regular season and was the regional champion in his weight class.

Other wrestlers who did not compete at nationals or were not MIAA champions were: Gavin Hjerleid, who finished the season at 23-16 and second place in the MIAA; Bill O'Connor, who was 27-13 and finished with a second in the MIAA; David Rhodes, who finished the season at 18-14, also wound up second in the MIAA; and heavyweight Todd Ensminger finished the season with a 20-16 record and was second in his weight class in the MIAA.

This was one of Northwest's best seasons in history. In total, the 'Cats won four team tournaments: Drake Dual Festival, Buena Vista Invitational, Simpson Invitational and the MIAA tournament. The team also posted a second-place finish at the NCAA Division II Regional Tournament and 12th at the NCAA Division II national tournament. A record for most dual wins in a season was also set as the 'Cats were 15-5-1. The old mark of 13 was set in four different seasons: 1962-63, 1964-65, 1976-77, and 1982-83.

"When we went into the tournament, we were ranked about 15th in the nation," said coach Gary Collins. "I felt that we were capable of finishing in the top five or six. Mike Flanagan, I thought, would win the tournament and as it turns out the guy who won it, Flanagan had beaten during the regular season."

Before nationals, Collins had five wrestlers drop weight so they could wrestle in a class other than their normal one. The reason for that was because Northwest had two wrestlers at 167 pounds, Erickson and Flanagan. To get both in the line-up

in the national tournament, one or the other had to drop, thus making most of the team drop. Collins felt that it would be easier for Erickson to drop and use Flanagan at the 167-pound weight class. As it turned out, none of the wrestlers who lost weight placed at the national meet.

This is a happy yet sad season for the wrestling team. Coach Collins has resigned his post as mentor to devote more time to his family and put more energy forth into his teaching.

In his tenure at Northwest, Collins has coached nine years with his career divided into two sections, 1967-70 and 1978-1984. Among his credentials, Collins has a 83-57-4 record, two MIAA championships and five second-place MIAA finishes to his credit.

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13 points a piece. Coleman, Hurst, Gordon and Tony White all had seven rebounds and James Williams added six assists.

Bearcats vs. Indians

Southeast's Jewell Crawford scored 26 points and pulled down ten rebounds as Southeast Missouri downed Northwest, 78-62, in MIAA action Feb. 22 in Cape Girardeau, Mo.

Southeast controlled much of the first half play, opening a nine-point lead, 20-11, at the 12:51 mark on a short jumper by Donnie McClinton.

Northwest stormed back to tie the score, 30-30, on shots by Victor Coleman and Joe Hurst with just over six minutes in the half.

The 'Cats held a slim lead through the rest of the half before the Indians tied the score, 34-34, with 2:46 to play.

Southeast grabbed the lead with 1:16 in the half as Crawford hit a free-throw that gave the Indians a 37-36 half-time lead.

Both teams battled throughout the early part of the second half with Southeast holding a slim three-point lead, 52-49, with 14:23 to play.

From then on it was all Southeast as the Indians widened their lead to 15 points, 71-56, with 4:36 in the ballgame.

Northwest failed to get closer than 11 points the rest of the game as Southeast coasted to a 16-point, 78-62, victory.

Northwest was led by 19-point performances by Coleman and Hurst. Coleman was the team's leading rebounder with nine.



Regional winners

The wrestling team is all smiles after their second place finish at the regionals. (Photo courtesy Coach Gary Collins)

Nelson, Moore set track records

BY JIM BURROUGHS
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Two Northwest indoor track records fell and two first place finishes were the accomplishments of the Northwest men's track team as they competed in the Uni-Dome Invitational in Cedar Falls, Iowa, Feb. 26. This was not scored as a team meet and Northwest was entered on a club basis.

Keith Nelson is one of the new record holders as he placed second in the 440-yard dash in a time of 49.2. Keith Moore is the other as he also placed second in the shotput with a 53'7" effort.

In first place for the 'Cats was Jim Ryan in the 1,000 yard run in 2:15.8 and the mile relay team of Robert Lawrence, Mike Harris, Tom Lester and Keith Nelson as they finished with a time of 3:19.1.

Finishing second on the day were Tom Lester in the 600-yard run with

a time of 1:12.2, and Alan McCrary in the 300-yard dash in 31.3. This was Lester's best timing in the 600.

In third place for the team were Mike Harris, 60-yard dash, 6.2 and Robert Lawrence, 600-yard run, 1:13.6. This was the all time best for Lawrence in the event.

Finishing in fifth place were Rod

Edge, 60-yard high hurdles, 7.9 and Mark Phillips, pole vault, 15'0".

Greg Jenkins finished eighth in the long jump with a 21'7 1/4" effort.

The Northwest men conclude their season when they participate in the MIAA Indoor Championships at Central Missouri State University, March 3.

Conference honors nine

Seniors Victor Coleman and Diane Kloewer and sophomore Joe Hurst were named to the all-MIAA first team, Feb. 27, at the conference coaches meeting in Kansas City. This is the second consecutive season on the first team for Coleman and Kloewer, but it is the first for Hurst. In addition to these nominees to the first team, women's Coach Wayne Winstead was named as women's coach of the year in the MIAA.

Also making honors were James

Williams, second team and Tom Bildner, honorable mention for the men. On the women's side, Marla Sapp and Betty Olson made second team, while Kim Scamman made honorable mention.

When asked about the honor, Victor Coleman said, "It's no big deal, but I guess it feels good."

However, Joe Hurst said, "It's nice. I feel we worked for it. We tried and worked pretty hard, so we got it."

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